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Response to Rule 312 Amendment

For following reasons

The amendment filed on 5/3/2011 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been: ~~disapproved~~

1) Non Compliant claim Amendments:

The amendment to the claims filed on 5/3/2011 does not comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121(c) because non-compliant amendment. Amendments to the claims filed on or after July 30, 2003 must comply with 37 CFR 1.121(c) which states:

(2) *When claim text with markings is required.* All claims being currently amended in an amendment paper shall be presented in the claim listing, indicate a status of "currently amended," and be submitted with markings to indicate the changes that have been made relative to the immediate prior version of the claims. The text of any added subject matter must be shown by underlining the added text. The text of any deleted matter must be shown by strike-through except that double brackets placed before and after the deleted characters may be used to show deletion of five or fewer consecutive characters. The text of any deleted subject matter must be shown by being placed within double brackets if strike-through cannot be easily perceived. Only claims having the status of "currently amended," or "withdrawn" if also being amended, shall include markings. If a withdrawn claim is currently amended, its status in the claim listing may be identified as "withdrawn—currently amended."

Claim 1 proposed changes dated 5/3/2011:

portion of said logical communication path utilize different communication protocols ~~and handle for handling~~ communication of different communication types, and wherein both

Allowed claim 1 states:

communication path and at least a second portion of said logical communication path utilize different communication protocols and handle communication of different communication types; ~~first and second communication paths use different~~

2) Change in scope of the claim:

In regards to claim 1, the proposed amendment changes the scope of the claim. "Handle communication of different communication types" is different in scope than "for handling communication of different communication type". The former is a positive recitation of the limitation, while the latter is not a positive recitation of the limitation; i.e. the latter has the capability to handle communication of different type but it is not clear from the limitation, if it actually does it. "Handle" is positive recitation of limitation, while "for handling" is not.

Similar issues exist in proposed amendments to claims 11 and 21.

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